

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- $$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{R}^1 \\
 | \\
 \text{Q} \\
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 \text{R}^2-\text{X}-\text{C}-\text{N}-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{N}-(\text{CH}_2)_n-\text{N}-(\text{CH}_2)_p-\text{N}-(\text{R}^1)_q-\text{Alk}-\text{Y}-\text{Alk}-\text{L} \\
 | \\
 (\text{CH}_2)_n
 \end{array}
 \quad (I)$$

each Alk represents, independently from each other, a covalent bond ; a bivalent straight or branched, saturated or unsaturated hydrocarbon radical having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms ; or a cyclic saturated or

unsaturated hydrocarbon radical having from 3 to 6 carbon atoms ; each radical optionally substituted on one or more carbon atoms with one or more alkyl, phenyl, halo, cyano, hydroxy, formyl and amino radicals ;

L is selected from the group of hydrogen, alkyl, alkyloxy, Ar³-oxy, alkyloxycarbonyl, alkylcarbonyloxy, mono- and di(alkyl)amino, mono- and di(Ar³)amino, mono- and di(alkyloxycarbonyl)amino, Ar³, Ar³carbonyl, Het² and Het²carbonyl ;

Ar¹ is phenyl, optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 substituents, each independently from each other, selected from the group of halo, alkyl, cyano, aminocarbonyl and alkyloxy ;

Ar² is naphthalenyl or phenyl, each optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 substituents, each independently from each other, selected from the group of halo, nitro, amino, mono- and di(alkyl)amino, cyano, alkyl, hydroxy, alkyloxy, carboxyl, alkyloxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl and mono- and di(alkyl)aminocarbonyl ;

Ar³ is naphthalenyl or phenyl, optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 substituents, each independently from each other, selected from the group of alkyloxy, alkyl, halo, hydroxy, pyridinyl, morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, imidazo[1,2-a]pyridinyl, morpholinylcarbonyl, pyrrolidinylcarbonyl, amino and cyano ;

Het¹ is a monocyclic heterocyclic radical selected from the the group of pyrrolyl, pyrazolyl, imidazolyl, furanyl, thienyl, oxazolyl, isoxazolyl, thiazolyl, isothiazolyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl and pyridazinyl ; or a bicyclic heterocyclic radical selected from the group of quinolinyl, quinoxalinyl, indolyl, benzimidazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, benzofuranyl and benzothienyl ; each heterocyclic

radical may optionally be substituted on any atom by a radical selected from the group of halo and alkyl ;
Het² is a monocyclic heterocyclic radical selected from the group of pyrrolidinyl, dioxolyl, imidazolidinyl, pyrrazolidinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, dithianyl, thiomorpholinyl, piperazinyl, imidazolidinyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, 2H-pyrrolyl, pyrrolinyl, imidazolinyl, pyrrazolinyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, furanyl, thienyl, oxazolyl, isoxazolyl, thiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, isothiazolyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl and triazinyl ;

or a bicyclic heterocyclic radical selected from the group of benzopiperidinyl, quinolinyl, quinoxalinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, chromenyl, benzimidazolyl, imidazo[1,2-a]pyridinyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, benzofuranyl and benzothienyl ;

each radical optionally substituted with one or more radicals selected from the group of Ar¹, Ar¹alkyl, halo, hydroxy, alkyl, piperidinyl, pyrrolyl, thienyl, oxo, alkyloxy, alkyloxyalkyl and alkyloxycarbonyl ;
and

alkyl is a straight or branched saturated hydrocarbon radical having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms or a cyclic saturated hydrocarbon radicals having from 3 to 6 carbon atoms; optionally substituted on one or more carbon atoms with one or more radicals selected from the group of phenyl, halo, cyano, oxo, hydroxy, formyl and amino.

2. (Original) A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that

n is 1 ;

m is 1 ;

p is 1 ;

q is 0 ;

Q is 0 ;

X is a covalent bond ;

each R¹ is Ar¹ or Ar¹-alkyl ;

R² is Ar² ;

Y is a covalent bond or a bivalent radical of formula -

C(=O)- or -SO₂- ;

each Alk represents, independently from each other, a covalent bond ; a bivalent straight saturated hydrocarbon radical having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms ; each radical optionally substituted on one or more carbon atoms with one or more phenyl radicals ;

L is selected from the group of hydrogen, alkyl, mono- and di(alkyloxycarbonyl)amino, Ar³ and Het² ;

Ar¹ is phenyl ;

Ar² is phenyl, each optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 alkyl substituents ;

Ar³ is phenyl, optionally substituted with 1 or 2 substituents, each independently from each other selected from the group of halo and cyano ;

Het² is a monocyclic heterocyclic radical selected from the group of tetrahydrofuranyl, pyrrolidinyl, pyrazolyl, furanyl, thienyl, pyrimidinyl, thiadiazolyl and pyridinyl ; each radical optionally substituted with one or more alkyl or alkyloxycarbonyl radicals ; and

alkyl is a straight saturated hydrocarbon radical having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms or a cyclic saturated hydrocarbon radicals having from 3 to 6 carbon atoms.

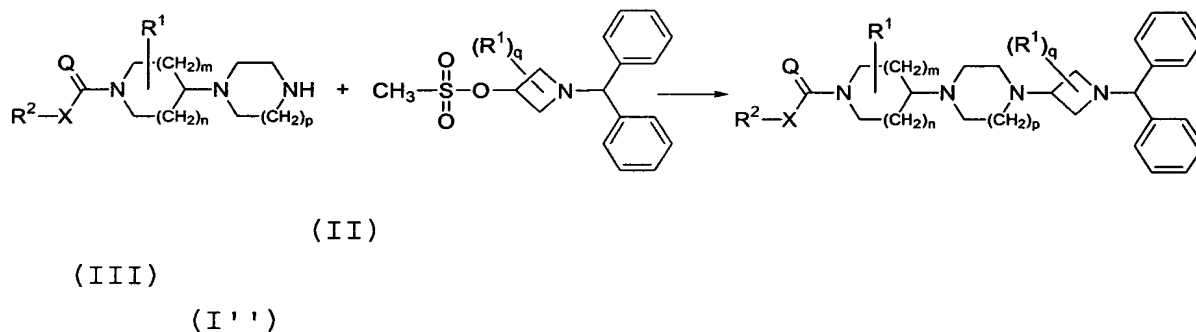
3. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1 ~~any~~

~~of claim[s] 1{ 2, characterized in that}~~ wherein R^1 is Ar^1 methyl and attached to the 2-position or R^1 is Ar^1 and attached to the 3-position.

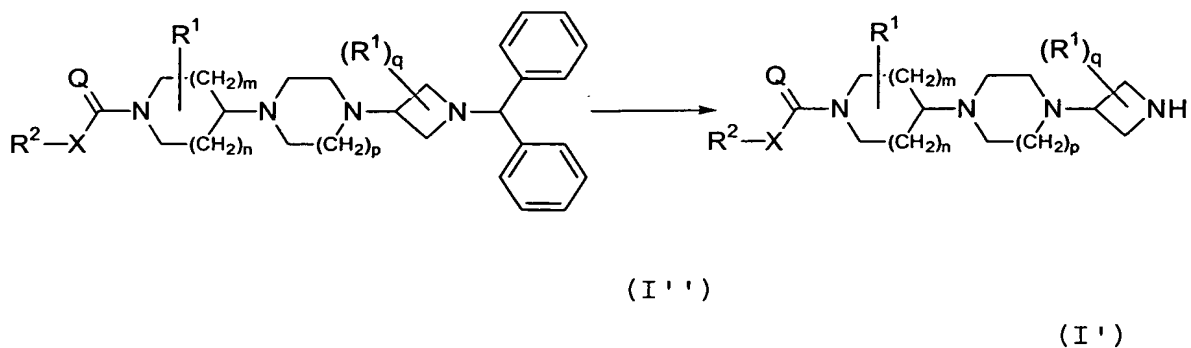
4. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1 ~~any of claim[s] 1{ 3, characterized in that the}~~ wherein $R^2-X-C(=O)-$ moiety is 3,5-di-(trifluoromethyl) phenylcarbonyl.
5. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1 ~~any of claim[s] 1{ 4, characterized in that}~~ wherein p is 1.
6. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1 ~~any of claim[s] 1{ 5, characterized in that}~~ wherein Y is - $C(=O)-$.
7. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1 ~~any of claim[s] 1{ 6, characterized in that}~~ wherein Alk is a covalent bond.
8. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1 ~~any of claim[s] 1{ 7, characterized in that}~~ wherein L is Het^2 .
9. (Currently Amended) A compound selected from the group of compounds with compound number 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 as ~~mentioned~~ described in Table 1.
10. (Currently Amended) A compound ~~according to any one of claims 1-9~~ Claim 1 for use as a medicine.
11. (Cancelled)
12. (Currently Amended) The use of a compound according to claim 1 ~~11 for the manufacture of a medicament~~ for treating schizophrenia, emesis, anxiety, depression, irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), circadian rhythm disturbances, pain,

neurogenic inflammation, asthma, micturition disorders ~~such as urinary incontinence and~~ nociception.

13. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and, as active ingredient, a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to ~~any one of claims 1-9 of Claim 1.~~
14. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a pharmaceutical composition ~~as claimed in claim 13, characterized in that a~~ comprising mixing a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier ~~is intimately mixed~~ with a therapeutically effective amount of a compound ~~as claimed in any one of claims 1-9 of Claim 1.~~
15. (Original) A process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I'') in which an intermediate compound of Formula (II) is reacted with an intermediate compound of Formula (III), wherein the radicals R^2 , X, Q, R^1 , m, n, p and q are as defined in claim 1.



16. (Original) A process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I') in which a final compound of Formula (I'') is reductively hydrogenated, wherein the radicals R^2 , X, Q, R^1 , m, n, p and q are as defined in claim 1.



17. (Original) A process for the preparation of a compound according to Formula (I') comprising the consecutive steps of
- 1) obtaining a compound of Formula (I'') according to claim 15 ;
 - 2) obtaining a compound of Formula (I') according to claim 16.